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PRICE STABILIZATION AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

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FOLLOWING OPERATIVE PARAGRAPHS HERE APPROVED BY COMMITTEE
III AND PLENARY:

BEGIN TEXT:

1. /CALLS ON/ ALL GOVERNMENTS TO COOPERATE IN PROMOTING A
STEADY AND INCREASING EXPANSION AND LIBERALIZATION OF WORLD
TRADE WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO FOOD PRODUCTS AND AN
IMPROVEMENT IN THE WELFARE AND LIVING STANDARDS OF ALL
PEOPLES, IN PARTICULAR THOSE OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES;
ACCORDINGLY, REQUESTS ALL GOVERNMENTS TO COOPERATE, /INTER
ALIA/, TOWARDS THE PROGRESSIVE REDUCTION OR ABOLITION OF
OBSTACLES TO TRADE AND ALL DISCRIMINATORY PRACTICES TAKING
INTO ACCOUNT THE PRINCIPLE OF MOST-FAVOURED NATION TREATMENT
AS APPLICABLE IN GATT AND TOWARDS THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE
INTERNATIONAL FRAMEWORK FOR THE CONDUCT OF WORLD TRADE;
TO THESE ENDS, COORDINATED EFFORTS SHALL BE MADE TO SOLVE
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IN AN EQUITABLE WAY THE TRADE PROBLEMS OF ALL COUNTRIES

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TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE SPECIFIC TRADE PROBLEMS OF THE
DEVELOPING COUNTRIES;

2. /URGES/ GOVERNMENTS TO TAKE MEASURES AIMED AT
SECURING ADDITIONAL BENEFITS FOR THE INTERNATIONAL TRADE
OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES SO AS TO ACHIEVE A SUBSTANTIAL IN-
CREASE IN THEIR FOREIGN EARNINGS, THE DIVERSIFICATION OF
THEIR EXPORTS, THE ACCELERATION OF THE RATE OF GROWTH OF
THEIR TRADE, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THEIR DEVELOPMENT NEEDS,
AN IMPROVEMENT IN THE POSSIBILITIES FOR THESE COUNTRIES TO
PARTICIPATE IN THE EXPANSION OF WORLD TRADE AND A BALANCE
MORE FAVOURABLE TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN THE SHARING OF
THE ADVANTAGES RESULTING FROM THIS EXPANSION, THROUGH, IN
THE LARGEST POSSIBLE MEASURE, A SUBSTANTIAL IMPROVEMENT
IN THE CONDITIONS OF ACCESS FOR THE PRODUCTS OF INTEREST TO
THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND, WHEREVER APPROPRIATE, MEASURES
DESIGNED TO ATTAIN STABLE, EQUITABLE AND REMUNERATIVE PRICES
PARTICULARLY FOR FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS;

3. /CALLS UPON/ ALL GOVERNMENTS TO COOPERATE IN TAKING
MEASURES TO PREVENT SPECULATIVE PRACTICES AIMED AT DESTA-
BLIZATION OF MARKETS AND ATTAINING OF EXTRA PROFITS;

4. CALLS UPON GOVERNMENTS TO DEVISE IN THE APPROPRIATE
ORGANIZATIONS EFFECTIVE STEPS FOR DEALING WITH THE PROBLEM
OF STABLIZING WORLD MARKETS, PARTICULARLY FOR FOODSTUFFS
AND SPECIALLY THROUGH INTERNATIONAL ARRANGEMENTS AIMED
INTER ALIA AT INCREASING FOOD PRODUCTION, PARTICULARLY IN
DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, ALLEVIATING FOOD SHORTAGES, ENSURING
FOOD SECURITY, AND PROMOTING PRICES WHICH ARE REMUNERATIVE
TO PRODUCERS AND FAIR TO CONSUMERS, AND WHICH GIVES PARTI-
CULAR ATTENTION TO THE INTERESTS OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AS
IMPORTERS AND EXPERTERS;

5. /URGES/ UNCTAD TO INTENSIFY ITS EFFORTS IN CONSIDERING
NEW APPROACHES TO INTERNATIONAL COMMODITY PROBLEMS AND
POLICIES AND IN ELABORATING FURTHER THE PROPOSALS FOR AN
OVERALL INTEGRATED PROGRAMME FOR COMMODITIES, WITH PARTICULAR
REFERENCE TO FOODSTUFFS TO GIVE PRIORITY CONSIDERATION
TO RECOMMENDATIONS INCLUDING A TIMETABLE OF WORK FOR APPRO-
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PRIATE ACTION AT AN EARLY DATE;

6. /REQUESTS/ THE RESPONSIBLE INTERNATIONAL BODIES TO GIVE
THE HIGHEST POSSIBLE PRIORITY TO SPEED UP THE CONSULTATIONS
AND NEGOTIATIONS WITHIN AGREED TIME-LIMITS FOR REACHING
AGREEMENTS ON REDUCTION OR ELIMINATION OF BARRIERS AND
RESTRICTIONS IN INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND ENABLING SUBSTAN-
TIALLY IMPROVED ACCESS OF AGRICULTURAL AND FOOD PRODUCTS OF

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DEVELOPING COUNTRIES TO THE MARKETS OF DEVELOPED COUNTRIES
IN ACCORDANCE WITH BASIC OBJECTIVES GUIDING THE COMPREHEN-
SIVE MULTILATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK
OF THE GATT AS AGREED UPON IN TOKYO, INCLUDING THE CONCEPT
OF NON-RECIPROCITY AND OF SPECIAL AND MORE FAVORABLE
TREATMENT THROUGH DIFFERENTIAL MEASURES IN FAVOR OF DEVELO-
PING COUNTRIES, THROUGH NEGOTIATIONS WHERE THIS IS FEASIBLE
AND APPROPRIATE.

7. /REQUESTS/ ALL DEVELOPED COUNTRIES TO IMPLEMENT, IMPROVE
AND ENLARGE THEIR SCHEMES UNDER THE GENERALIZED SYSTEM OF
PREFERENCES AND TO CONSIDER ITS EXTENSION TO FOOD AND AGRI-
CULTURAL COMMODITIES, INCLUDING THOSE WHICH ARE PRO-
CESSED OR SEMI-PROCESSED;

8. /URGES/ THE GOVERNMENTS PARTICIPATING IN THE INTENSIVE
/AD HOC/ CONSULTATIONS ON COMMODITIES, AS WELL AS OTHER
GOVERNMENTS, TO MAKE DETERMINED EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE SUB-
STANTIAL AND CONCRETE RESULTS IN THE FIELDS OF ACCESS TO
MARKETS AND PRICING POLICY AND RECOMMENDS TO ALL GOVERNMENTS
TO TAKE CONCRETE ACTION ON PROPOSALS MADE IN THE INTENSIVE
CONSULTATIONS WHICH ARE ACCEPTED BY THEM;

9. /CALLS UPON/ GOVERNMENTS OF DEVELOPED COUNTRIES, IN THE
DETERMINATION OF ATTITUDES TOWARDS FARM SUPPORT PROGRAMMES
FOR DOMESTIC FOOD PRODUCTION, TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT AS FAR
AS POSSIBLE THE INTERESTS OF THE FOOD EXPORTING DEVELOPING
COUNTRIES IN ORDER TO AVOID DETRIMENTAL EFFECTS TO THEIR
EXPORTS;

10. /REQUESTS/ THE DEVELOPED COUNTRIES TO ENABLE AND
FACILITATE TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE THE EXPANSION OF FOOD
AND AGRICULTURAL IMPORTS FROM DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, IN
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COMPETITION WITH DOMESTIC PRODUCTIN, THUS PROVIDING A FAIR
AND REASONABLE OPPORTUNITY TO INCREASE THEIR EXPORT EARNINGS
AND TO ALLOW DEVELOPING COUNTRIES WHICH EXPORT TO THESE
DEVELOPED MARKETS TO PLAN THEIR PRODUCTION AND EXPORTS
ON A FORWARD BASIS;

11. /REAFFIRMS/ THE IMPORTANCE GIVEN BY THE MEMBER COUNTRIES
OF THE FAO TO INTERNATIONAL AGRICULTURAL ADJUSTMENT AND
THE NEED FOR GOVERNMENTS TO WORK TOGETHER TOWARD GREATER
CONSISTENCY IN THEIR NATIONAL AND REGIONAL POLICIES
BEARING ON FUTURE CHANGES IN FOOD AND AGRICULTURE;

12. /REQUESTS/ THAT FAO TAKE FULL ACCOUNT OF THE DISCUSSIONS
AND DECISIONS OF THE WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE IN FORMULATING
AND IMPLEMENTING THE PROPOSED STRATEGY OF THE INTERNA-

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TIONAL AGRICULTURAL ADJUSTMENT;

13. /REQUESTS/ THE GOVERNMENTS OF DEVELOPED COUNTRIES AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS CONCERNED TO INCREASE THE FIELD ASSISTANCE TO THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN EXPORT PROMOTION ACTIVITIES AND MECHENISMS, AND IN TRAINING OF AGRICULTURAL MARKETING AND TRADE PERSONNEL TAKING DUE ACCOUNT OF THE DIVERSIFICATION PROCESS AND DEVELOPMENT NEEDS;
14. /CALLS UPON/ COUNTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS CONCERNED TO DEVOTE SPECIAL ATTENTION TO THE SOLUTION OF THE PROBLEMS FACING DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN THE MATTER OF COSTS OF TRANSPORTATION OF FOODSTUFFS.

15. /INVITES/ THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES TO EXPAND THEIR MUTUAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION AND INVITES THE DEVELOPED COUNTRIES AND THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS CONCERNED TO MAINTAIN AND EXPAND THEIR SUPPORT FOR ECONOMIC COOPERATION AMONG DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

16. /STRESSES/ THE NEED FOR MEASURES ASSURING THE POORER SECTIONS OF THE RURAL POPULATION OF THEIR SHARE IN THE OPPORTUNITIES AND BENEFITS OFFERED BY TRADE EXPANSION.

17. /REQUESTS/ THE WORLD FOOD PROGRAMME AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS CONCERNED TO GIVE PRIORITY TO THE USE OF CASH RESOURCES AVAILABLE FOR MULTILATERAL OR BILATERAL
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FOOD AID FOR PURCHASES IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AT COMPETITIVE WORLD MARKET PRICES AND TERMS;

18. /URGES/ THE DEVELOPED COUNTRIES AND OTHER COUNTRIES CONCERNED AND INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS CONCERNED TO GIVE FAVOURABLE CONSIDERATION TO THE PROVISION OF ADEQUATE ASSISTANCE TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN CASES OF BALANCE-OF-PAYMENTS DIFFICULTIES ARISING FROM FLUCTUATIONS IN EXPORT RECEIPTS OR IMPORT COSTS, PARTICULARLY WITH REGARD TO FOOD.

19. /REQUESTS/ THE GOVERNMENTS OF ALL COUNTRIES AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS CONCERNED, WHEN CONSIDERING ALL THE SUBJECTS CONTAINED IN THIS RESOLUTION, TO GIVE THE HIGHEST POSSIBLE PRIORITY AND THE MOST FAVOURABLE TERMS TO THE LEAST DEVELOPED, LAND-LOCKED AND ISLAND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES MOST SERIOUSLY AFFECTED BY ECONOMIC CRISES. END TEXT.VOLPE

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